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SUBJECT: NIMBUS STAR COMMAND CHANGE

S/S FOR ATHERTON

1. THE NAVY HAS INDICATED THAT RADM BRIAN MC CAULEY, USN
(CTF 65) WILL RETIRE IN JUNE 1974.

2. REQUEST YOU INFORM EGYPTIAN AUTHORITIES OF THE FORTH-
COMING CHANGE IN COMMAND. THE FOLLOWING RATIONALE MAY BE
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CONVEYED:

A. RADM KENT CARROLL, USN, HAS BEEN ASSIGNED AS PROSPECTIVE RELIEF FOR RADM BRIAN MC CAULEY, COMMANDER TASK FORCE SIXTY FIVE. RADM CARROLL IS ORDERED TO REPORT TO COMMANDER SIXTH FLEET FOR SUBJ DUTY ABOUT 1 JUNE 1974.

B. RADM CARROLL IS COMMANDER NAVAL INSHORE WARFARE COMMAND, U.S. ATLANTIC FLEET AND IN THIS CAPACITY IS RESPONSIBLE FOR EXPLOSIVE ORDNANCE DISPOSAL IN THE ATLANTIC FLEET. IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT THE CHANGE OF COMMANDERS CLOSELY COINCIDES WITH THE CONCLUSION OF THE NIMBUS STAR MINE-SWEEPING OPERATION.

C. RADM CARROLL'S ASSIGNMENT AS CTF 65 IS IN CONSONANCE WITH FURTHER CANAL ORDNANCE CLEARANCE EFFORTS UNDER PRO-

JECTS NIMBUS MOON WATER/LAND. HE IS ESPECIALLY WELL SUITED FOR THIS TASK AND WE ARE CONFIDENT HE WILL CONTINUE THE SAME CALIBER PERFORMANCE AS RADM MC CAULEY.

D. U.S. AUTHORITIES APPRECIATE THE GENERAL DESIRABILITY OF RETAINING COMMANDERS UNTIL COMPLETION OF AN OPERATION. RADM MC CAULEY, HOWEVER, IS SCHEDULED TO RETIRE IN JUNE AND STATUTORY RESTRICTIONS PRECLUDE HIS RETENTION AS CTF 65.

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